

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1509

Introduced by Assembly Member Benoit

February 21, 2003

An act relating to emergency services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1509, as introduced, Benoit. Office of Emergency Services: demonstration project.

The California Emergency Services Act sets forth the duties of the Office of Emergency Services in overseeing and coordinating various emergency response programs in the state.

This bill would require the office to conduct a demonstration project on the use of satellite linked devices that utilize geographic position system and geographic information system technologies in the management and deployment of mobile emergency response equipment and personnel. It would require the office to report, no later than January 1, 2005, to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Department of Justice on the results of the demonstration project, at which time the demonstration project would be terminated.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) The Office of Emergency Services shall
- 2 conduct a demonstration project on the use of satellite linked
- 3 devices that utilize geographic position system and geographic
- 4 information system technologies in the management and

1 deployment of mobile emergency response equipment and
2 personnel. In designing and implementing this demonstration
3 project, the office shall consult with the space enterprise
4 community and, in cooperation with the providers of these
5 technologies, shall demonstrate their application to the entities in
6 command and control of mobile emergency response equipment
7 and personnel as they would be used following a terrorist or natural
8 disaster event.

9 (b) No later than January 1, 2005, the office shall report to the
10 Governor, the Legislature, and the Department of Justice on the
11 results of the demonstration project, at which time the
12 demonstration project shall be terminated.

